## House Resolution No. 2608

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through tireless commitment to excellence in education; and

Whereas, Rick Edwards, an esteemed resident of Jefferson City, Missouri, will officially retire from the Cole County R-II School District on June 30, 2003, after a successful career in education that has spanned an incredible thirty-three years; and

Whereas, Rick Edwards has played an integral role in the educational development of countless youngsters as Superintendent of the Cole County R-II School District for eight years, prior to which time he served as Superintendent of the Hardin-Central C-2 School District for nine years; and

Whereas, Rick Edwards is exceedingly proud of his active affiliation with such important organizations as the Cole County R-II Association of Certified Teachers, Missouri State Teachers Association, Missouri Association of School Business Officials, Missouri Association of School Administrators, and the West Central Administrators Association; and

Whereas, Rick Edwards looks forward to his much-deserved retirement so that he can spend more quality time in the company of his wonderful family which includes his devoted wife, Velta, and his four children, Steve, Allison, Alicia, and Andrea; and

Whereas, it is entirely fitting and proper that this legislative body should pay tribute to Rick Edwards, a remarkable individual and stellar educator who will be greatly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and working with him:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Rick Edwards for his thirty-three years of unparalleled service to the Cole County R-II School District and to public education as a teacher, counselor, coach, and administrator, and in wishing him the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Rick Edwards.

Offered by
Representative Mark J. Bruns
District No. 113
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2608, adopted May 7, 2003.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker